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Speaker Appoints Members to Councils and Committees

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Newly sworn in Speaker of the Florida House Allan Bense announced today the structure of the Florida House of Representatives and on which councils and committees House Members will serve.

"We have an incredible pool of talent in the Florida House," said Speaker Bense. "Our goal was to find roles for each Member that will utilize their talents and put them in the best position possible to serve the people of Florida. I believe we've accomplished that goal"

The new House structure includes 10 councils containing 35 committees. There are also four joint committees to which both the House and Senate appoint Members. The councils are divided into traditional subject areas, such as fiscal, education, justice and health care. Committees within each council are designed to further focus on specific subject areas.

"In business, I try to bring on my team the best possible person for the job then get out of the way and let them do their job," said Speaker Bense. "That's what I've done with our councils and committees. I've appointed members who know the subject area and who I can trust to look out for the best interest of the people of Florida. While I'll certainly be involved, for the most part I plan to let the process work the way it is designed."

In general, bills will be referenced to the appropriate committees based upon the subject being addressed. The council above the committee of first reference will be the bill's last stop before becoming available to be heard on the floor of the House.

The attached document contains a full listing of council and committee appointments. The list will also be available via www.MyFloridaHouse.gov after 2 p.m. today.

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HOUSE COUNCILS & COMMITTEES

Republicans in roman *Democrats in italics*

COMMERCE COUNCIL (Group B)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Farkas Representative Kravitz Representatives Attkisson, Bilirakis, Bogdanoff, Fields, Gottlieb, Justice, Littlefield, Ross
Business Regulation Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Attkisson Representative Gottlieb Representatives Altman, Carroll, Dean, Goldstein, Greenstein, Grimsley, Holloway, Hukill, Kyle, Legg, Llorente, Lopez-Cantera, Porth, Reagan, Ryan, Troutman, Zapata
Economic Development, Trade & Banking Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Bilirakis Representative Detert Representatives Bean, Bendross- Mindingall, Brutus, Culp, Cusack, Davis, D., Grant, Hasner, Justice, Peterman, Quinones, Sorensen, Williams
Insurance Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Ross Representative Rivera Representatives Arza, Berfield, Brown, Cannon, Clarke, Domino, Evers, Fields, Galvano, Gannon, Homan, Jennings, Kravitz, Planas, Sands, Taylor, Traviesa
Utilities & Telecommunications Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Littlefield Representative Henriquez Representatives Allen, Anderson,

EDUCATION COUNCIL (Group A)

Chair: Vice Chair: Members: Representative Baxley Representative Arza

Representatives Ausley, Brandenburg, Cretul, Jennings, Mealor, Patterson,

Antone, Barreiro, Coley, Flores, Johnson, Jordan, Joyner, Murzin, Richardson

Pickens, Rivera, Stargel

Choice & Innovation Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Stargel Representative Galvano Representatives Attkisson, <i>Gelber</i> , Goldstein, Hukill, Legg, <i>Roberson</i> , <i>Sobel</i>
Colleges & Universities Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Mealor Representative Cretul Representatives Ambler, <i>Brandenburg</i> , Flores, <i>Gibson</i> , A., Homan, <i>Peterman</i> , Rice
Community Colleges & Workforce Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Patterson Representative Jennings Representatives Barreiro, Greenstein, Kreegel, Mayfield, Meadows, Quinones
PreK-12 Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Arza Representative Pickens Representatives Ausley, Farkas, Goodlette, Gottlieb, Murzin, Richardson, Traviesa
FISCAL COUNCIL (Group E)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Negron Representative Brummer Representatives Ausley, Barreiro, Bean, Benson, Berfield, Brown, Davis, D., Detert, Greenstein, Holloway, Mayfield, McInvale, Pickens, Planas, Richardson, Rubio, Seiler, Simmons, Zapata
Agriculture & Environment Appropriations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Mayfield Representative Evers Representatives Allen, Dean, Hays, <i>Kendrick</i> , Littlefield, <i>Machek</i> , <i>Meadows</i> , Poppell, <i>Stansel</i> , Zapata
Education Appropriations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Pickens Representative Rivera Representatives Altman, Antone, Arza, Attkisson, Baxley, Bendross-Mindingall, Cretul, Culp, Detert, Flores, Goldstein, Greenstein, Justice, Mealor, Proctor, Sansom, Simmons, Vana
Finance & Tax Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Brummer Representative Stargel Representatives Brown, Carroll, Domino, Fields, Gottlieb, Kyle, Quinones, Ryan

Health Care Appropriations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Bean Representative Murzin Representatives Ambler, Benson, Cannon, Galvano, Gannon, Garcia, Gibson, H., Grant, Hukill, Richardson, Roberson, Sobel
Justice Appropriations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Barreiro Representative Seiler Representative Adams, Bilirakis, Bullard, Gelber, Joyner, Kottkamp, Mahon, Needelman, Planas, Rice
State Administration Appropriations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Berfield Representative Troutman Representatives Brandenburg, Gibson, A., Holloway, Jordan, Legg, Lopez-Cantera, Reagan, Robaina, Russell, Sands
Transportation & Economic Development Appropriations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Davis, D. Representative Llorente Representatives Ausley, Bogdanoff, Clarke, Coley, Cusack, Davis, M., Glorioso, Harrell, Hasner, Jennings, Johnson, Kravitz, McInvale, Patterson, Slosberg, Traviesa
HEALTH & FAMILIES COUNCIL (Group D)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Benson Representative Homan Representatives Bean, <i>Bendross-Mindingall</i> , Galvano, Garcia, Gibson, H., Harrell, Robaina, <i>Sobel</i> , <i>Vana</i>
Elder & Long-Term Care Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Gibson, H. Representative Anderson Representatives <i>Bullard</i> , Farkas, Legg, Lopez-Cantera, <i>Machek</i> , <i>Sands</i>
Future of Florida's Families Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Galvano Representative Bean Representatives Arza, <i>Bucher</i> , Davis, M., Glorioso, <i>Kendrick</i>

Health Care General Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Harrell Representative Zapata Representatives <i>Ausley</i> , Berfield, <i>Cusack</i> , Flores, Grimsley, Hays, Kreegel, Mayfield, Robaina, <i>Vana</i>
Health Care Regulation Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Garcia Representative Sobel Representatives Bendross-Mindingall, Bilirakis, Bowen, Cretul, Henriquez, Homan, Poppell, Proctor, Roberson

JUSTICE COUNCIL (Group D)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Kyle Representative Domino Representatives <i>Joyner</i> , Kravitz, Llorente, Mahon, Quinones, Simmons, <i>Slosberg</i>
Civil Justice Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Mahon Representative <i>Slosberg</i> Representatives Coley, Goodlette, <i>Joyner</i> , Stargel
Claims Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Quinones Representative <i>Brutus</i> Representatives Dean, Grimsley, Hukill, <i>Taylor</i>
Criminal Justice Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Kravitz Representative <i>Holloway</i> Representatives Adams, <i>Antone</i> , Hasner, Llorente, <i>Porth</i> , Rice
Judiciary Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Simmons Representative Planas Representatives Ambler, Baxley, Brummer, <i>Gelber</i> , Grant, Kottkamp, <i>McInvale</i> , Pickens, <i>Richardson</i> , Ross, <i>Seiler</i>
Juvenile Justice Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Culp Representative Needelman Representatives Barreiro, <i>Gibson</i> , <i>A.</i> , <i>Meadows</i> , <i>Peterman</i> , Traviesa
LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL (Group C)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Sorensen Representative Robaina Representatives Anderson, Brutus, Davis, M., Fields, Hays, Roberson
RULES & CALENDAR COUNCIL (Group F)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Goodlette Representative Kottkamp Representatives Baxley, Berfield, Bowen, Brown, Brummer, Farkas, <i>Gannon</i> , Kyle, <i>Machek</i> , Mahon, Negron, Ross, Rubio, Russell, <i>Ryan</i> , <i>Slosberg</i> , <i>Sobel</i> , Sorensen, Waters

STATE ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL (Group C)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Brown Representative Bogdanoff Representatives Adams, Brandenburg, Gibson, A., Holloway, Jordan, Kottkamp, Reagan
Domestic Security Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Adams Representative Gelber Representatives Brandenburg, Goodlette, Harrell, Murzin, Porth, Rice
Ethics & Elections Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Reagan Representative Carroll Representatives Bogdanoff, Bowen, Bucher, Gannon, Joyner, Pickens, Ross, Ryan, Waters
Governmental Operations Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Kottkamp Representative Mealor Representatives Attkisson, <i>Ausley</i> , Benson, Sansom, <i>Taylor</i>
Military & Veteran Affairs Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Jordan Representative Ambler Representatives Bilirakis, Evers, <i>Gibson A.</i> , Glorioso, <i>Meadows</i> , Proctor
STATE INFRASTRUCTURE COUNCIL (Group A)	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Russell Representative Hasner Representatives Allen, <i>Cusack</i> , Davis, M., Detert, <i>Henriquez</i> , Johnson, Sansom, <i>Stansel</i>
Growth Management Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Johnson Representative Davis, M. Representatives Benson, Carroll, Hays, <i>Henriquez</i> , Lopez-Cantera, <i>Porth</i> , Proctor, <i>Vana</i>
Spaceport & Technology Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Allen Representative Altman Representatives <i>Cusack</i> , <i>Justice</i> , Poppell
Tourism Committee	Chair: Vice Chair: Members:	Representative Detert Representative McInvale Representatives Anderson, Antone, Bean, Bullard, Davis, D., Garcia, Gibson, H.

Transportation Committee	Chair:	Representative Sansom
-	Vice Chair:	Representative Evers
	Members:	Representatives Brutus, Bucher,
		Cannon, Coley, Culp, Glorioso,
		Hasner, Jordan, Kravitz, Reagan,
		Robaina, Slosberg, Stansel,
		Williams
STATE DESCRIBERS	Chair:	Domescontative Dowen
STATE RESOURCES	Vice Chair:	Representative Bowen
COUNCIL (Group C)		Representative Troutman
	Members:	Representatives <i>Bullard</i> , Clarke, Domino,
		Machek, Needelman, Poppell, Stansel
Agriculture Committee	Co-Chairs:	Representatives Poppell, Stansel
	Members:	Representatives Antone, Bullard,
		Cretul, Grimsley, Kreegel, McInvale
		Rivera, Troutman
Environmental Regulation	Chair:	Representative Needelman
Committee	Vice Chair:	Representative <i>Kendrick</i>
Committee	Members:	Representatives Allen, Davis, D.,
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Water & Natural Resources	Chair:	Representative Clarke
Committee	Vice Chair:	Representative Dean
	Members:	Representatives Altman, Cannon,
		Greenstein, Justice, Littlefield,
		Machek, Patterson, Seiler, Williams
Joint Legislative	Chair:	Representative Homan
Auditing	Members:	Representatives <i>Bucher</i> , Grant, Kreegel,
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Joint Administrative Procedures	Chair:	Representative Bogdanoff
	Members:	Representatives Goldstein, Meadows
Joint Intergovernmental Relations	Chair:	Representative Hasner
	Members:	Representatives <i>Taylor</i> , Williams
Legislative Budget Commission	Chair:	Representative Negron
	Members:	Representatives Barreiro, Berfield,
	MICHIOCIS.	Davis, D., Greenstein, Kendrick,
		Mayfield